

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 701

By Ferguson

A RESOLUTION to congratulate George and Betty Fraley on the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 1957, at the East Main Church of Christ in Tullahoma, George Fraley and Betty N. Fraley were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, the Fraleys first met while they were both juniors at Middle Tennessee State University and began dating their senior year, with their first date being a fun excursion to the Franklin County Fair; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Fraley have been highly respected citizens of the Winchester community for decades; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, a farmer and our colleague as a member of this body since 1996, Mr. Fraley served as a metallurgical engineer and later as a manager at the Arnold Engineering Development Center for a total of thirty-two years, until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, a retired educator, Mrs. Betty Fraley, taught school for thirty-seven years, thirty of them at Franklin County High School; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced two children, both of whom have excelled in their particular field of endeavor; the Fraleys' children and their spouses are Beri and wife Nan and Beth and husband Joey Eavey; and

WHEREAS, the Fraleys are also the proud grandparents of: Anna Marie, Laura Beth, Becca, and Callie; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Fraleys' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate our colleague and his beloved bride, George and Betty Fraley, on the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.